ABSENTEE BALLOT - PERMANENT ABSENT VOTER LIST REQUEST

The Alamo Township Clerk's Office maintains a Permanent Absent Voter List. The Permanent Absent Voter List is a list of voters who qualify under state law to vote by absentee ballot. All voters on the Permanent Absent Voter List are automatically sent an absentee ballot application for each election scheduled in Alamo Township.

To qualify you must be a registered voter at least 30 days prior to election, apply in writing for each election your requesting to vote by absentee ballot and attest to one of the following six reasons:

(1) 60 years of age or more

(2) Unable to vote without assistance

(3) Expect to be absent from township entire time polls are open

(4) In jail awaiting arraignment or trial

(5) Appointed to work as an election inspector in precinct outside of your precinct of residency

(6) Unable to attend polls due to religious beliefs.

From this permanent absent voter list, absentee voter applications are mailed out for every election as required by Michigan Election Law. If you would like to be placed on our Permanent Absent Voter List, please fill out the Permanent Absent Voter List Request below and mail to: Alamo Township Clerk's Office, 7901 N 6th Street, Kalamazoo, MI.

Q. What do I have to do to receive an application?

A. Prior to any election, the Clerk's Office will mail you an application. By state law the applications are available 75 days prior to election. The application must be filled out and returned to us before a ballot can be issued. The application cannot be processed without the "VOTERS" signature which is verified by digital signature on file and voter registration record. Under Michigan Election Law, a voter must be able to sign the application and ballot. Power Of Attorney cannot be utilized. Voters who are unable to sign the application and/or ballot should contact the Clerk's Office.

Q. How to fill out absentee application?

A. You will be sent an application with either one or two upcoming elections printed at the top of the application. You need to check the reason(s) you are voting absentee for each election you are requesting an absentee ballot. Please verify your address information and make changes if needed. If you need your ballot sent to an address other than your current Alamo Township residence, make sure to provide that address on the application where requested. After signing and dating the application, return completed application to the Alamo Township Clerk's Office.

Q. Can an application or ballot be picked up for someone other than myself?

A. An application can be picked up for anyone within household. If household member is out of town or away at school we can send application directly to them if address is provided, or a letter can be submitted as application with all required information and signature. An unvoted ballot cannot be given to anyone except voter that has applied for absentee ballot. If household member dropped off application the ballot will be sent in mail within 24 hours.

Q. What happens next?

A. Your ballot will be mailed to you once your absent voter application has been received including voter's signature and the absentee ballots are received in our office (approximately 45 days prior to election).

Q. What is your next step?

A. In the privacy of your home, vote your ballot at your leisure. When completed, you may mail or hand deliver the ballot to the Clerk's Office when completed.

Q. What if I want to vote at the precinct?

A. Simply do not fill out the absentee application and go to your precinct on Election Day to vote.

Q. Which elections will I receive absentee ballot applications for?

A. An application will be mailed to all voters on the Permanent AV List for any election scheduled in Alamo Township.

PERMANENT ABSENT VOTER LIST REQUEST

YES, I MEET THE QUALIFICATION REQUIRED BY LAW TO BE PLACED ON PERMANENT ABSENT VOTER LIST. MAIL COMPLETED FORM TO:

Alamo Township Clerk's Office 7901 N 6th Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49009

_____
VOTER'S NAME, (Please Print)

DATE

_____
SIGNATURE

_____
ADDRESS _____

BIRTHDATE _____